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Rededication at Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park

On Saturday October 8, 2011 from 10am until 4pm, Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park will host its annual Rededication Celebration. The Rededication is an opportunity for park users and supporters to renew their commitment to the park and its symbolic representation of self-determination for African Americans.

Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park the only California town to be founded, financed, and governed by African Americans is located approximately 42 miles northwest of Bakersfield.

Colonel Allensworth and a group of others, dedicated to improving the economic and social status of African Americans founded the small farming community in 1908. This community became a state park and officially opened to the public in October of 1976.

Come join the celebration with guest speakers, great entertainment, arts, crafts, and food vendors, and docents in period attire, giving tours of some of the 22 historic building.

The park entrance fee is \$8.00 per passenger vehicle, \$50.00 for a bus with 24 passengers and less, and \$100.00 for a bus with 25 passengers and more.

For more information and directions to the park, please call or email park staff at the numbers above.

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